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E.O. 11652: GDS  
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SUBJECT: CSCE: BREZHNEV PROPOSAL FOR ENERGY CONFERENCE

REFS: (A) BONN 14454; (B) BRUSSELS 11053; (C) BONN 14026

1. ALTHOUGH FRG OFFICIALS STATE THAT THERE HAVE BEEN NO EXCHANGES BETWEEN THE GERMANS AND THE SOVIETS ON ACCEPTANCE OF THE SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR AN ENERGY CONFERENCE (REF A), WE WOULD ADD FOR THE RECORD THAT THE SOVIETS ARE AWARE OF THE CHANCELLOR'S INTEREST IN ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL.

2. THIS BECAME OBVIOUS DURING A RECENT CONVERSATION IN  
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WHICH SOVIET POLITICAL COUNSELOR POPOV BROUGHT UP CSCE AND ASKED EMBOFF WHY THE US CONTINUED TO OBJECT TO THE THREE CONFERENCES PROPOSED BY BREZHNEV. EMBOFF RESPONDED THAT HE WAS NOT FOLLOWING CSCE DISCUSSIONS CLOSELY BUT HAD THE IMPRESSION THAT THE US, WHILE RESERVING ITS POSITION UNTIL THE SOVIET PROPOSALS COULD BE STUDIED IN DETAIL, IN GENERAL DID NOT SEE THE UTILITY OF

CREATING A SPECIAL CSCE UMBRELLA FOR COVERING PROBLEMS WHICH COULD ADEQUATELY BE HANDLED IN EXISTING ORGANIZATIONS OR FORA.

3. POPOV THEN REMARKED RATHER POINTEDLY THAT HE HAD UNDERSTOOD THAT CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT HAD SUGGESTED TO THE PRESIDENT THAT THE ENERGY CONFERENCE PROPOSAL BE ACCEPTED AND THAT THE PRESIDENT HAD AGREED. WHILE ACKNOWLEDGING THAT HE HAD HEARD THAT THE SUBJECT WAS MENTIONED DURING THE CHANCELLOR'S WASHINGTON TALKS, EMBOFF ADDED THAT HE DID NOT HAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT THERE HAD BEEN ANY DETAILED DISCUSSION OR THAT ANY FINAL DECISIONS HAD BEEN REACHED.  
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